

Chambers of Senior Judge Tom Stagg

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Tom Stagg
Senior Judge

Date of Birth: 1923
Education: LSU 1943 BA, 1949 JD
Began Service: 1974
Appointed By: President Richard M. Nixon

Legal Practice: Hargrove, Guyton, Van Hook & Hargrove (1949-1954); Senior Partner, Stagg, Cady & Beard (1958-1974)

Military Service: United States Army (1943-1946)

Current Memberships: American Bar Association; Louisiana Bar Association; Shreveport Bar Association

Staff

Law Clerk **Robin McCoy** (318) 676-3260
Began Service: 2005
Term Expires: 2007
Education: Mississippi 2005 JD
Law Clerk **Julianne Parks** (318) 676-3260
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Chambers of Senior Judge Donald E. Walter

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Donald E. Walter
Senior Judge

Date of Birth: 1936
Education: LSU 1961 BA, 1964 JD
Began Service: July 15, 1985
Appointed By: President George W. Bush

Academic: Adjunct Professor, Centenary College

Government: United States Attorney, Western District of Louisiana, Department of Justice (1969-1977)

Legal Practice: Cavanaugh, Brame, Holt & Woodley (1964-1966); Holt & Woodley (1966-1969); Hargrove, Guyton, Ramey & Barlow (1978-1985)

Military Service: United States Army (1957-1958)

Staff

Law Clerk **Elizabeth Mendell-Carmody** (318) 676-3175
Education: LSU JD
Law Clerk **Melanie Wise** (318) 676-3175
Began Service: August 2006
Term Expires: August 2007
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Chambers of Senior Judge James T. Trimble, Jr.

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James T. Trimble, Jr.
Senior Judge

Date of Birth: 1932
Education: LSU 1955 BA, 1956 JD
Began Service: September 12, 1991
Appointed By: President George H.W. Bush
Political Affiliation: Republican

Judicial: Magistrate Judge, United States District Court for the Western District of Louisiana (1986-1991); District Judge, United States District Court for the Western District of Louisiana (1991-2002)

Legal Practice: Gist, Murchison, & Gist (1959-1978); Trimble, Percy, Smith, Wilson, Foote, Walker & Honeycutt (1979-1986)

Military Service: United States Air Force (1956-1959)

Current Memberships: Federal Judges Association; Louisiana Bar Association; Louisiana Bar Foundation; Southwest Louisiana Bar Association

Staff

Law Clerk **Toni Petrofes** (337) 437-3884
Education: LSU 1999 JD
Judicial Assistant **Judy Tinsley** (318) 473-7375

Chambers of Magistrate Judge Mildred E. Methvin

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Mildred E. Methvin
Magistrate Judge

Date of Birth: 1952
Education: Tulane 1974 BA; Georgetown 1976 JD
Began Service: June 13, 1983
Term Expires: June 13, 2007

Government: Assistant United States Attorney, Western District of Louisiana, Department of Justice, Jimmy Carter Administration (1979-1981); Staff Attorney, Department of Interior, Ronald Reagan Administration (1981-1983); Staff Assistant, U.S. Representative Gillis William Long (R-LA), United States House of Representatives (1974-1977)

Legal Practice: Associate, Gist, Methvin & Trimble (1977-1979)

Current Memberships: American Inn of Court of Acadiana; Federal Magistrate Judges Association; Louisiana Bar Association

Staff

Law Clerk **Stacey Blanke** (337) 593-5145
Education: Loyola (New Orleans) 1996 JD
Law Clerk **Cristie G. Gibbens** (337) 593-5140
Education: Loyola (New Orleans) 1995 JD

Chambers of Magistrate Judge Alonzo P. Wilson

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Alonzo P. Wilson
Magistrate Judge

Date of Birth: 1953
Education: LSU 1974 JD
Began Service: December 17, 1991
Term Expires: December 16, 2007

Legal Practice: Private Practice; Associate, Wilson & Walker Law Firm

Chambers of Magistrate Judge Alonzo P. Wilson continued**Staff**

Law Clerk **Bill Barkley** (337) 437-3874
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Chambers of Magistrate Judge James D. Kirk

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**James D. Kirk**
Magistrate Judge

Date of Birth: 1950
Education: LSU 1972 BS, 1975 JD
Began Service: December 15, 1997
Term Expires: December 2013
Political Affiliation: Republican

Clerkships: Law Clerk The Honorable William A. Culpepper, Louisiana Court of Appeal, Third Circuit (1975-1976)

Government: Assistant District Attorney, Office of the District Attorney, Natchitoches Parish, State of Louisiana (1979-1981)

Legal Practice: Sole Practitioner, James D. Kirk, A Professional Law Corporation (1996-1997)

Current Memberships: American Inns of Court; Louisiana State Bar Association

Chambers of Magistrate Judge C. Michael Hill

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C. Michael Hill
Magistrate Judge

Date of Birth: 1950
Education: LSU 1976 JD
Began Service: July 30, 2001
Term Expires: July 30, 2009
Political Affiliation: Democrat

Academic: Staff, Paul M. Hebert Law Center (1976-1977)

Government: Assistant United States Attorney (1977-1982)

Legal Practice: Private Practice (1982-2001)

Current Memberships: American Bar Association; John M. Dune Inns of Court; Lafayette Bar Association; Louisiana Bar Association

Staff

Career Law Clerk **Lisa D. Hanchey** (337) 593-5160
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Education: Loyola (New Orleans) 1993 JD

Chambers of Magistrate Judge Mark L. Hornsby

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Mark L. Hornsby
Magistrate Judge

Education: LSU 1985 BS, 1988 JD
Began Service: January 14, 2005

Clerkships: Law Clerk The Honorable Tom Stagg, United States District Court for the Western District of Louisiana (1988-1990)

Legal Practice: Wiener, Weiss & Madison (1990-2005)

Current Memberships: American Inn of Court; Louisiana Bar Association; Shreveport Bar Association

Staff

Career Law Clerk **Christopher Slatten** (318) 676-3265
Education: LSU 1990 JD
Judicial Assistant **Merry Jones** (318) 676-3265

Chambers of Magistrate Judge Karen L. Hayes

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Karen L. Hayes
Magistrate Judge

Began Service: June 26, 1997

Staff

Career Law Clerk **Angela James Vitale** (318) 388-6036

Chambers of Magistrate Judge (part-time) Robert H. Shemwell

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Robert H. Shemwell
Magistrate Judge (part-time)

Date of Birth: 1941
Education: LSU 1963 BA, 1967 JD
Began Service: April 4, 1984
Political Affiliation: Republican

Government: Assistant United States Attorney, Western District of Louisiana, United States Department of Justice (1970-1975); Acting Clerk, United States Bankruptcy Court for the Western District of Louisiana (1986-1987)

Legal Practice: Seale, Smith, Baine & Phelps (1967-1970)

Current Memberships: Louisiana Bar Association; Shreveport Bar Association

Staff

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